

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Justification and Approval

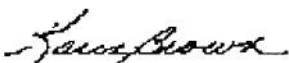
For

Other Than Full and Open Competition

1. **Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, Great Lakes Acquisition Center, 5000 West National Avenue, Bldg. 6, Milwaukee, WI 53295. (578-12-1-944-0068).
2. **Nature and/or Description of the Action Being Processed :** Justification and approval for other than full and open competition for the purchase of Thin Prep Pap Tests and associated processing supplies for the Edward Hines, Jr. VA Hospital, Hines, Illinois. Procurement will proceed on a sole source basis with Hologic Limited Partnership.
3. **Description of Supplies/Services Required to Meet the Agency's Needs:** The Pathology & Laboratory Medicine Service of Edward Hines, Jr. VA Hospital, in Hines, IL, has a requirement for Thin Prep Pap Tests and associated supplies. These tests and supplies are required to sample and preserve for the testing of gynecologic and non-gynecologic specimens. The estimated annual cost is \$36,316.00.
4. **Statutory Authority Permitting Other than Full and Open Competition:**
 - (X) (1) Only One Responsible Source and No Other Supplies or Services Will Satisfy Agency Requirements per FAR 6.302-1;
 - () (2) Unusual and Compelling Urgency per FAR 6.302-2;
 - () (3) Industrial Mobilization, Engineering, Developmental or Research Capability or Expert Services per FAR 6.302-3;
 - () (4) International Agreement per FAR 6.302-4
 - () (5) Authorized or Required by Statute FAR 6.302-5;
 - () (6) National Security per FAR 6.302-6;
 - () (7) Public Interest per FAR 6.302-7;
5. **Demonstration that the Contractor's Unique Qualifications or Nature of the Acquisition Requires the Use of the Authority Cited Above (applicability of authority):** The Pathology & Laboratory Medicine Service of Edward Hines, Jr. VA Hospital, in Hines, IL, has a requirement for Thin Prep Pap Tests and associated processing supplies to sample and preserve gynecologic and non-gynecologic specimens for cytopathological

examination. These are the only tests and supplies that are compatible with the testing processor currently in place at the Edward Hines, Jr. VAH. These tests and supplies are only manufactured by Hologic Limited Partnership.

6. **Description of Efforts Made to ensure that offers are solicited from as many potential sources as deemed practicable:** As indicated by the end-user, these tests and supplies are only manufactured by Hologic Limited Partnership.
7. **Determination by the Contracting Officer that the Anticipated Cost to the Government will be Fair and Reasonable:** Procurement for same and similar supplies have been ordered numerous times by the SPC for the Pathology & Laboratory Medicine Service of Edward Hines, Jr. VA Hospital in Hines, IL. Pricing is comparable to previous procurements.
8. **Description of the Market Research Conducted and the Results, or a Statement of the Reasons Market Research Was Not Conducted:** The Contracting Officer conducted no additional research. The COTR and end users have researched the market and were unable to locate any additional competition for this requirement. Hologic Limited Partnership is the sole manufacturer of this equipment.
9. **Any Other Facts Supporting the Use of Other than Full and Open Competition:** None.
10. **Listing of Sources that Expressed, in Writing, an Interest in the Acquisition:** None.
11. **A Statement of the Actions, if any, the Agency May Take to Remove or Overcome any Barriers to Competition before Making subsequent acquisitions for the supplies or services required:** None.
12. **Requirements Certification:** I certify that the requirement outlined in this justification is a Bona Fide Need of the Department of Veterans Affairs and that the supporting data under my cognizance, which are included in the justification, are accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.



Karen M. Brown, MT(ASCP)DLM

November 3, 2011

NAME

DATE

Business Manager
VISN12 PLMS Service Line

Edward Hines, Jr. VA Hospital (578)

TITLE

FACILITY

13. Approvals in accordance with FAR 6.304

- a. **Contracting Officer's Certification: (required)** I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Chael Turner
NAME

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DATE

Contract Specialist

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TITLE

FACILITY

- b. **NCM/PCM:** I certify the justification meets requirements for other than full and open competition.

Linda Krysant
NAME

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Network/Program Contract Manager

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